



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Toshiya OHTOMO and Hiroto HORIKAWA

Group Art Unit: 2852

Application No.: 09/139,296

Examiner: S. Virmani

Filed: August 25, 1998

Docket No.: 101809.01

For: STAGE UNIT, DRIVE TABLE, AND SCANNING EXPOSURE APPARATUS  
USING SAME

AMENDMENT OF INVENTORSHIP UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b)

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Consistent with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b), Applicant respectfully requests amendment of the inventorship of the above-identified application to delete Toshiya OHTOMO as a named inventor.

A Petition and fee are attached hereto in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b).

When entered, Hiroto HORIKAWA will be the sole inventor of the above-identified application.

Entry of the foregoing Amendment is respectfully solicited for the reasons detailed in the attached Petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Further to the Preliminary Amendment filed December 22, 1998, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-27 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Claim 29, line 1, change "the" to --a--;

line 2, change "the" (first occurrence) to --an--.

Claim 31, line 1, change "the" to --a--;

line 2, change "the" (first occurrence) to --an--.

REMARKS

Claims 28-31 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 29 and 31 are amended for  
clarity, and claims 1-27 are canceled. Claims 1-27 will be pursued in divisional applications.